

Here we go again. I do NOT beleive a rule restricting the allowable bandwidth of an Amateur SSB transmission to 2.8Khz can ever be enforced properly. What it will lead to is hundreds of complaints by vindictive amateurs accusing people of transmitting "too wide" when, in fact, many of them aren't. It is impossible for the average amateur, using his or her average HAM equiptment (IE: a radio equipped with a so called "band scope") to determine the actual width of another operators SSB signal. I have listened to these so called "wide banders" and, for the most part, they are not creating nearly the problem that some other hams would have you believe. There are a few, yes, but maybe they should be cited individually. A rule such as this will lead to chaos. In all fairness, the vast majority of so-called "wide-banders" are really transmitting signals in the 3.6Khz - 4Khz range (yes, I am an engineer and I DO have the proper equiptment to measure these bandwidths accurately). Also, these so-called "wide-banders" are restricting their activities just a couple of frequencies within the entire amateur spectrum. I don't see anything wrong with this. It is really NO DIFFERENT then the guys that get together on a few specific frequencies to carry on AM nets (typically 6Khz wide).

There are definately 2 sides to this story and I just hope you listen to both of them! Do NOT put an un-enforceable unfair rule in place please!!!

Thank You

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